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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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37 C.F.R. § 1.41(a)(1) points out:

"(a) A patent is applied for in the name or names of the actual inventor or inventors.

(1) The inventorship of a nonprovisional application is that inventorship set forth in the oath or declaration as prescribed by § 1.63, except as provided for in § 1.53(d)(4) and § 1.63(d). If an oath or declaration as prescribed by § 1.63 is not filed during the pendency of a nonprovisional application, the inventorship is that inventorship set forth in the application papers filed pursuant to § 1.53(b), unless a petition under this paragraph accompanied by the fee set forth in § 1.17(i) is filed supplying or changing the name or names of the inventor or inventors."

For (title): METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LEARNING WORD PRONUNCIATION AND SPELLING USING A TYPEABLE PHONETIC ALPHABET

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1. Type of Application

This new application is for a(n)

(check one applicable item below)

	[X]	Original (nonprovisional)				
	[]	Design				
	[]	Plant				
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WARNIN	√G:	Do not use this transmittal for the filing of a provisional application.				
NOTE:	TRANSM	the following 3 items apply, then complete and attach ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION ITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF A PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION CLAIMED and a NOTIFICATION IN PARENT ITION OF THE FILING OF THIS CONTINUATION APPLICATION.				
	[]	Divisional.				
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	įį	Continuation-in-part (C-I-P).				

2. Benefit of Prior U.S. Application(s) (35 U.S.C. 119(e), 120, or 121)

NOTE: A nonprovisional application may claim an invention disclosed in one or more prior filed copending nonprovisional applications or copending international applications designating the United States of America. In order for a nonprovisional application to claim the benefit of a prior filed copending nonprovisional application or copending international application designating the United States of America, each prior application must name as an inventor at least one inventor named in the later filed nonprovisional application and disclose the named inventor's invention claimed in at least one claim of the later filed nonprovisional application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112. Each prior application must also be:

- (i) An international application entitled to a filing date in accordance with PCT Article 11 and designating the United States of America; or
- (ii) Complete as set forth in § 1.51(b); or
- (iii) Entitled to a filing date as set forth in § 1.53(b) or § 1.53(d) and include the basic filing fee set forth in § 1.16; or
- (iv) Entitled to a filing date as set forth in § 1.53(b) and have paid therein the processing and retention fee set forth in § 1.21(l) within the time period set forth in § 1.53(f).

37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(1).

NOTE If the new application being transmitted is a divisional, continuation or a continuation-in-part of a parent case, or where the parent case is an International Application which designated the U.S., or benefit of a prior provisional application is claimed, then check the following item and complete and attach ADDED PAGES FOR NEW

APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION(S) CLAIMED.

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	or 365(the app accoun 365(a) support filed ap	If an application claims the benefit of the filing date of an earlier filed application under 35 U.S.C. 120, 121 (c), the 20-year term of that application will be based upon the filing date of the earliest U.S. application that elication makes reference to under 35 U.S.C. 120, 121 or 365(c). (35 U.S.C. 154(a)(2) does not take into t, for the determination of the patent term, any application on which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119, or 365(b).) For a c-i-p application, applicant should review whether any claim in the patent that will issue is ted by an earlier application and, if not, the applicant should consider canceling the reference to the earlier application. The term of a patent is not based on a claim-by-claim approach. See Notice of April 14, 1995, 60 etc. 20,195, at 20,205.
	within	When the last day of pendency of a provisional application falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday the District of Columbia, any nonprovisional application claiming benefit of the provisional application must be ior to the Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday within the District of Columbia. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3).
	[]	The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior U.S. application(s).

BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION (S) CLAIMED.

3. Papers Enclosed

A. Required for Filing Date under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. § 1.153 (Design) Application

Enclosed are ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE

- _12_ Pages of Specification
- 3 Pages of Claims
- _2_ Sheets of Drawings
- WARNING: DO NOT submit original drawings. A high quality copy of the drawings should be supplied when filing a patent application. The drawings that are submitted to the Office must be on strong, white, smooth, and non-shiny paper and meet the standards according to § 1.84. If corrections to the drawings are necessary, they should be made to the original drawing and a high-quality copy of the corrected original drawing then submitted to the Office. Only one copy is required or desired. For comments on proposed then-new 37 C.F.R. 1.84, see Notice of March 9, 1988. (1990 O.G. 57-62).

NOTE: "Identifying indicia, if provided, should include the application number or the title of the invention, inventor's name, docket number (if any), and the name and telephone number of a person to call if the Office is unable to match the drawings to the proper application. This information should be placed on the back of each sheet of drawing a minimum distance of 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch) down from the top of the page. . ." 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(c)).

(complete the following, if applicable)

[]	The enclosed drawing(s) are photograph(s), and there is also attached a "PETITION TO ACCEPT PHOTOGRAPH(S) AS DRAWING(S)." 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(b).
[] [x]	Formal Informal
В.	Other Papers Enclosed 2 Pages of declaration and power of attorney 1 Pages of Abstract

		Other
4.	Additi	onal Papers Enclosed
	[]	Amendment to claims
		 [] Cancel in this applications claims before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.) [] Add the claims shown on the attached amendment. (Claims added have been numbered consecutively following the highest numbered original claims.)
		Preliminary Amendment Information Disclosure Statement (37 C.F.R. § 1.98) Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B) Citations Declaration of Biological Deposit Submission of "Sequence Listing," computer readable copy and/or amendment pertaining thereto for biotechnology invention containing nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence. Authorization of Attorney(s) to Accept and Follow Instructions from Representative Special Comments Other
5.	Declar	ration or Oath (including power of attorney)
NOTE:	nonprov the inver executed is submi inventor that decu	executed declaration is not required in a continuation or divisional application provided the prior isional application contained a declaration as required, the application being filed is by all or fewer than all interest named in the prior application, there is no new matter in the application being filed, and a copy of the declaration filed in the prior application (showing the signature or an indication thereon that it was signed) itted. The copy must be accompanied by a statement requesting deletion of the names of person(s) who are not so of the application being filed. If the declaration in the prior application was filed under § 1.47 then a copy of laration must be filed accompanied by a copy of the decision granting § 1.47 status or, if a nonsigning person 1.47 has subsequently joined in a prior application, then a copy of the subsequently executed declaration must See 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)(1)-(3).
NOTE:	identify together	ration filed to complete an application must be executed, identify the specification to which it is directed, each inventor by full name, including the family name, and at least one given name without abbreviation with any other given name or initial, and the residence, post office address and country of citizenship of each and state whether the inventor is a sole or joint inventor. 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(a)(1)-(4).
	[X]	Enclosed
		Executed by
		(check all applicable boxes)
		 [X] inventor(s). [] legal representative of inventor(s). 37 C.F.R. § 1.42 or 1.43. [] joint inventor or person showing a proprietary interest on behalf of inventor who

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refused to sign or cannot be reached.

			[]	This is the petition required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.47 and the statement required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.47 is also attached. See item 13 below for fee.		
	[]	Not En	closed.			
NOTE:	applicat continud	ion contair ition or co	ns subject ntinuation	ion in the U.S. of an International Application, or where the completion of the U.S. matter in addition to the International Application, the application may be treated as a -in-part, as the case may be, utilizing ADDED PAGE FOR NEW APPLICATION NEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION CLAIMED.		
		[]		ation is made by a person authorized under 37 C.F.R. 1.41(c) on behalf of above named inventor(s).		
	(The	e declara	tion or c	oath, along with the surcharge required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e), can be filed subsequently).		
			[]	Showing that the filing is authorized. (not required unless called into question. 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(d))		
6.	Invent	orship S	statemer	nt		
WARNI		•		tors are each not the inventors of all the claims an explanation, including the ownership of e the last claimed invention was made, should be submitted.		
The inv	ventorsh	ip for all	the clai	ms in this application are:		
	[X]	The sar	ne.			
				or		
	[]		claimed is subm	An explanation, including the ownership of the various claims at the time invention was made, nitted. submitted.		
7.	Langu	age				
NOTE:	translati	An application including a signed oath or declaration may be filed in a language other than English. An English translation of the non-English language application and the processing fee of \$130.00 required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(is required to be filed with the application, or within such time as may be set by the Office. 37 C.F.R. § 1.52(d).				
	[X]	English Non-E				
		[]		ached translation includes a statement that the translation is accurate. 37 § 1.52(d).		

8.	Assignment						
	[]	An as	An assignment of the invention to				
		[]		separate [] "COVER SHEET FOI DMPANYING NEW PATENT AP lso attached.			
NOTE:		"If an assignment is submitted with a new application, send two separate letters-one for the application and one for the assignment" Notice of May 4, 1990 (1114 O.G. 77-78).					
WARNI				MENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)" must otice of April 30, 1993, 1150 O.G. 62-64.	be filed when a continuation-in-part		
9.	Certi	fied Co _l	ру				
	Certified copy(ies) of application(s)						
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	Co	untry		Appln. no.	Filed		
	Со	untry		Appln. no.	Filed		
from w	vhich pr	is (are	claimed e) attached. follow.				
NOTE:	-		ication forming the b	easis for the claim for priority must be refe	rred to in the oath or declaration. 37		
NOTE:	This item is for any foreign priority for which the application being filed directly relates. If any parent U.S. applicatio or International Application from which this application claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120 is itself entitled to priority from a prior foreign application, then complete item 18 on the ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION(S) CLAIMED.						
10.	Fee C	Calculati	ion (37 C.F.R. §	1.16)			
	A.	[X]	Regular applic	eation			

	CLAIMS AS FILED				
Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. §
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(c))		10- 20 =	x	\$ 18.00	1.16(a) \$740.00
Independent C (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b))	laims	3 =	х	\$ 80.00	
Multiple Deper Claim(s), if any (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d))			+	\$270.00	

	[]	Amendment cancelling extra claims is enclosed. Amendment deleting multiple-dependencies is enclosed. Fee for extra claims is not being paid at this time.						
NOTE:	If the fees for extra claims are not paid on filing they must be paid or the claims cancelled by amendment, prior to the expiration of the time period set for response by the Patent and Trademark Office in any notice of fee deficiency. 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d).							
		Filing Fee Calculation \$740						
	В.	[] Design application (\$320.00—37 C.F.R. § 1.16(f)) Filing Fee Calculation \$						
	C.	[] Plant application (\$490.00—37 C.F.R. § 1.16(g)) Filing Fee Calculation \$						
11.	Small l	Entity Statement(s)						
	[X]	Applicant is entitled to small entity status.						
WARNI	available including status ha. (includin, determina application may rely application in the pri	"Status as a small entity must be specifically established in each application or patent in which the status is and desired. Status as a small entity in one application or patent does not affect any other application or patent, applications or patents which are directly or indirectly dependent upon the application or patent in which the specific before established. The refiling of an application under § 1.53 as a continuation, division, or continuation-in-particle a continued prosecution application under § 1.53(d)), or the filing of a reissue application requires a new ation as to continued entitlement to small entity status for the continuing or reissue application. A nonprovisional on claiming benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119(e), 120, 121, or 365(c) of a prior application, or a reissue application on a statement filed in the prior application or in the patent if the nonprovisional application or the reissue on includes a reference to the statement in the prior application or in the patent or includes a copy of the statement for application or in the patent and status as a small entity is still proper and desired. The payment of the small sic statutory filing fee will be treated as such a reference for purposes of this section." 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(a)(2).						
		(complete the following, if applicable)						
	[]	Status as a small entity was claimed in prior application						
		35 U.S.C. § [] 119(e), [] 120, [] 121, [] 365(c),						
		and which status as a small entity is still proper and desired.						
		[] A copy of the statement in the prior application is included.						

		Filing	Fee Calculation (50% of A, B or C above)	\$	370	
NOTE:		by excess of the full fee paid will be refunded if a small entity status is established refund request are filed within 2 months the date of timely payment of a full fee. The two-month period is not extendable under § 1.136. 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(a).				
12.	Reque	st for In	ternational-Type Search (37 C.F.R. § 1.104(d	1))		
			(complete, if applicable)			
	[]		prepare an international-type search report all examination on the merits takes place.	for this ap	oplication at the time	wher
13.	Fee Pa	yment I	Being Made at This Time			
	[]	Not E	nclosed			
		[]	No filing fee is to be paid at this time. (This and the surcharge required by 37 C.F.I.	R. § 1.16(e,) can be paid subseque	ently.)
	[X]	Enclos	sed			
		[X]	Basic Filing fee		\$370	
		[]	Recording assignment (\$40.00; 37 C.F.R. § 1.21(h)) (See attached "COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT ACCOMPANYING NEW APPLICATION.")		\$	
		[]	Petition fee for filing by other than all the inventors or person on behalf of the inventor where inventor refused to sign or cannot be reached (\$130.00; 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.47 and 1.17(i))		\$	
		[]	For processing an application with a specification in a non-English language (\$130.00; 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.52(d) and 1.17(k))		\$	

Processing and retention fee (\$130.00; 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.53(d) and 1.21(l))

Fee for international-type search report

(\$40.00; 37 C.F.R. § 1.21(e))

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NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.21(1) establishes a fee for processing and retaining any application that is abandoned for failing to complete the application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f) and this, as well as the changes to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 and 1.78(a)(1), indicate that in order to obtain the benefit of a prior U.S. application, either the basic filing fee must be paid, or the processing and retention fee of § 1.21(1) must be paid, within 1 year from notification under § 53(f).

Total Fees Enclosed

C	370	
₽	370	 _

14. Method of Payment of Fees

[X]	Check in the amount of \$ 370.
[]	Charge Account No in the amount of \$

NOTE: Fees should be itemized in such a manner that it is clear for which purpose the fees are paid. 37 C.F.R. § 1.22(b).

15. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees

WARNING: If no fees are to be paid on filing, the following items should not be completed.

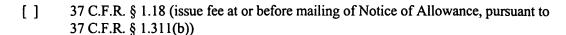
WARNING: Accurately count claims, especially multiple dependent claims, to avoid unexpected high charges, if extra claim charges are authorized.

- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to Account No. 03-1723.
 - [X] 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a), (f) or (g) (filing fees)
 - [X] 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b), (c) and (d) (presentation of extra claims)

NOTE: Because additional fees for excess or multiple dependent claims not paid on filing or on later presentation must only be paid or these claims cancelled by amendment prior to the expiration of the time period set for response by the PTO in any notice of fee deficiency (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d)), it might be best not to authorize the PTO to charge additional claim fees, except possibly when dealing with amendments after final action.

- [X] 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e) (surcharge for filing the basic filing fee and/or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application)
- [X] 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(5) (extension fees pursuant to § 1.136(a).
- [X] 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (application processing fees)

NOTE: "A written request may be submitted in an application that is an authorization to treat any concurrent or future reply, requiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. An authorization to charge all required fees, fees under § 1.17, or all required extension of time fees will be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission. Submission of the fee set forth in § 1.17(a) will also be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in any concurrent reply requiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission." 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).



NOTE: Where an authorization to charge the issue fee to a deposit account has been filed before the mailing of a Notice of Allowance, the issue fee will be automatically charged to the deposit account at the time of mailing the notice of allowance. 37 C.F.R. § 1.311(b)).

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(b) requires "Notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status must be filed in the application . . . prior to paying, or at the time of paying, . . issue fee." From the wording of 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(b), (a) notification of change of status must be made even if the fee is paid as "other than a small entity" and (b) no notification is required if the change is to another small entity.

16. Instructions as to Overpayment

NOTE: "... Amounts of twenty-five dollars or less will not be returned unless specifically requested within a reasonable time, nor will the payer be notified of such amounts; amounts over twenty-five dollars may be returned by check or, if requested, by credit to a deposit account." 37 C.F.R. § 1.26(a).

[X] Cred	it Account No.	03-1723
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17. Request Not to Publish

[X] Applicants request that this application not be published, since at this time the application has not been and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country that requires eighteen month publication.

SIGNATURE OF PRACTITIONER

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